

Module code	Module name	When	How long	Convenor	Assessment
EAL4720	Expand your Vocabulary	Semesters 1 & 2	5 weeks (2hrsx5wks, offered twice a term)	Alan Hart a.g.hart@qmul.ac.uk	None
Aims	To help international students expand their vocabulary and explore structured ways of doing so, which will take them beyond dictionaries and enhance their independent learning skills.				
Outline	<p>This module is not suitable for native speakers. It will cover, amongst other things:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic style and register • Word grammar and word families • Collocations, connotations and concordances • Introduction to a range of corpora and how to use them effectively • Idiomatic expressions, dependent prepositions and complement structures • Deducing meaning from context • Exploring methods for organising vocabulary and techniques for enhanced memorisation 				
Outcomes	<p>By the end of the module you should have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed confidence in accessing corpora using a concordancer to examine how vocabulary is used in a variety of contexts and registers • Practised making evaluative judgements about the relative merits of different systems to assist vocabulary storage, memorisation and retrieval • Acquired a better understanding of what information is essential for accurate use of new vocabulary • Considered ways of recording lexis more effectively • Appreciated the importance of context and register for lexical items • Developed strategies to help you deduce the meaning of unknown vocabulary in the context of both reading and listening texts • Exploited a variety of resources to independently research the meaning of unknown lexis of interest 				